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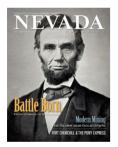
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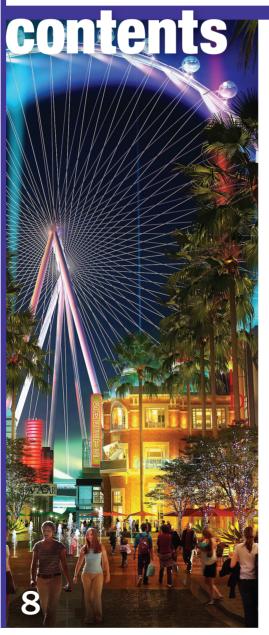
f you are reading this edition of *Nevada Events & Shows*, produced by *Nevada Magazine*, there's a good chance you're in the Reno-Tahoe International Airport or already on the road and wondering what you're going to do during your stay in Nevada.

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This information-packed guide to Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas, Reno, and rural Nevada will help you plan your trip—both now and in the future. Our stories and photos capture the latest and greatest events and shows in the Silver State. For more than 75 years, *Nevada Magazine* has been the premier source for Nevada travel news, and we're happy to add to that tradition with this edition of *Nevada Events & Shows*.

Happy travels, and enjoy your stay in the Silver State.

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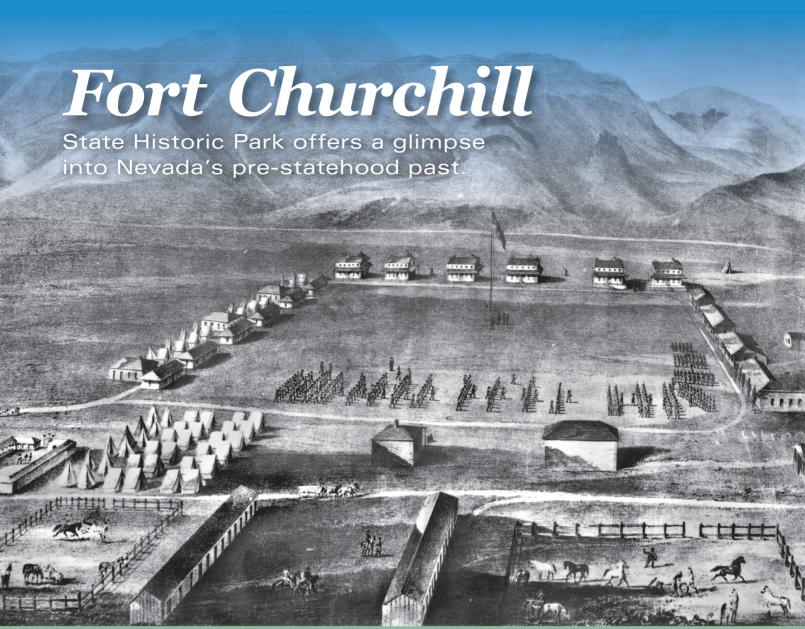
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NEVADA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Construction of Fort Churchill began in summer 1860. The above illustration depicts life on the fort after or about the time the U.S. Army commissioned it in 1861. Total cost of the fort was about \$180,000, and its adobe bricks—which now make up the iconic ruins of the State Historic Park—came from the local area.

#### BY GREG MCFARLANE

Almost everything about life in mid-1800s Nevada seems difficult to fathom and even more difficult to have endured. We no longer worry about hostile natives, high infant mortality, and taking weeks to cross the desert on horse-drawn wagons, but at one time such ordeals were commonplace. That onerous era is on permanent display at Fort Churchill State Historic Park, a living commemoration of many of the people and events that helped forge this resilient state.

Every Nevadan who passed high school civics knows that the state was admitted to the Union during the throes of the Civil War (our motto, "Battle Born," provides a clue). But The War Between the States wasn't the only—or the earliest—conflict to have played a vital part in Nevada's formation. A year before the infamous shots were fired at Fort Sumter, The Paiute War was in full swing at Pyramid Lake and the surrounding region. That struggle, and its aftermath, led to the founding of one of the state's most fascinating historical sites, located east of Carson City.



The Fort Churchill State Historic Park visitor center displays information and artifacts of the fort's history. such as this Civil War era three-inch ordnance rifle (left). Originally, there were six individual Officers Quarters (below) on the fort complex, which were described in their day as "comfortable" and "elegant."

GREG MCFARLANE

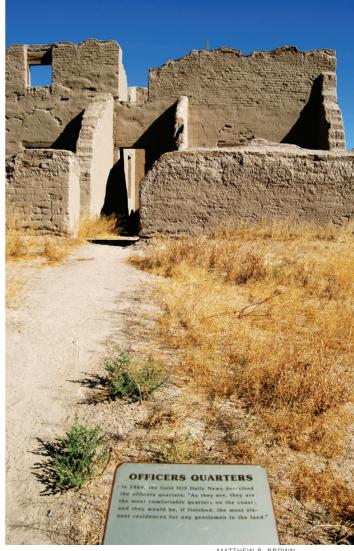
#### EARLY HISTORY

In 1861, with violence between Indians and settlers at its peak, and blood having long been shed on both sides, the United States Army commissioned Fort Churchill so that an influx of new settlers from the East could live in some semblance of peace. The fort housed as many as 300 soldiers, providing a bulwark against Paiute forces. The Army selected for its base a site on the northern banks of the Carson River, a well-traveled area that had come to the attention of explorers a few years earlier.

In the midst of a lifetime full of superlatives and pioneering feats, Colonel John C. Fremont was the first explorer to pay a visit to what is now Fort Churchill. Traveling with legendary frontiersman Kit Carson, Fremont mapped the region in 1843. By the end of the decade, the area was overrun with fortune seekers heading west to lay their claim to California gold. It's estimated that more than 150,000 speculators passed through.

Directly past the park's entrance are the adobe ruins of the fort itself—once a functioning and modern military outpost. Its main compound included six officers' quarters, an armory, and multiple barracks. There are also the vestiges of a quartermaster's operation and, tucked discreetly in at the back, the laundresses' building. As park ranger and historian Mike Dinauer explains it, on a compound populated with lonely young men thousands of miles from home, some of the more enterprising laundresses were rumored to offer services that had little to do with the cleaning of garments.

The Paiute War was bloody but brief, its outcome a decisive victory for the United States. With Indians no longer posing a serious threat, Fort Churchill was decommissioned in 1869. The federal government wanted to hand the complex over to a young and burgeoning state, but a lack of funds forced the Nevada legislature to politely decline. (In fact, it wasn't until 1957 that the Nevada Legislature authorized the purchase of the entire property and made Fort Churchill part of the Nevada Division of State Parks.)



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#### THIS LAND IS BUCKLAND'S

With the state initially refusing to take on the responsibilities of stewarding Fort Churchill, it became time to solicit offers from private interests. A plucky young Ohio transplant named Samuel Buckland made the successful bid, paying \$750 for close to eight square miles of stark but strategically situated land. It would turn out to be one of the best real estate deals in Nevada history.

Buckland was a rancher, innkeeper, and the 19th-century equivalent of a tollbooth operator, the latter two occupations working in tandem to make him affluent. He operated the sole bridge that would transport passengers over the Carson River, which today trickles through the park with just enough flow to hydrate the cottonwoods on its banks.

If a traveling party was too late for the last crossing of the day, they were welcomed to patronize Buckland's other venture—the nearby boarding house that also served as a neighborhood gathering place and Pony Express station. Ever the resourceful entrepreneur, Buckland used materials from the vacated fort buildings to construct his boarding house.

Buckland died in 1884. W.J. Marsh bought the estate for \$50,000, meaning that a modest investment grew to 67 times its original size under Buckland's care. Buckland Station sits across the highway from the rest of Fort Churchill, the two-story ranch house a beautifully maintained reminder of a hardier era. Inside are displays of everyday frontier life, along with a small theater that shows a 12-minute film about the station's history.

#### SAVING THE FORT

While Buckland Station prospered, Fort Churchill itself stayed untended, teetering on the verge of literal collapse. Years of neglect turned into decades, as the Earth reclaimed the withering clay structures for itself. By the Great Depression, local



members of the Daughters of the American Revolution had had enough. They began laying plans for preserving this important chapter of Nevada's history. These determined women convinced the federal government to transfer the fort buildings, or what was left of them, to state control. Then, the Civilian Conservation Corps got to work not only staving off the pending ruination of the fort, but erecting several other buildings on the property that are still in use.

In 1994, the state bought the Carson River Ranches, five square miles of riparian plots southeast of the main entrance, and transferred them to the park. Visitors use the ranches primarily for camping, horseback riding, and fishing (smallmouth bass and carp being the most abundant species). The following year Buckland Station was annexed, and the park took on the boundaries that it currently holds.

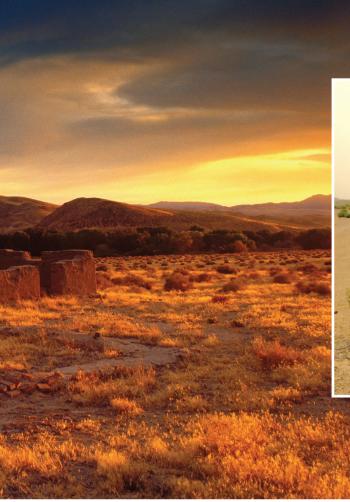
An unassuming hill overlooks the park's administrative offices, and atop that hill sits a solemn remembrance of the harshness of existence back in territorial days

and nascent statehood. The fenced and gated cemetery once marked the final resting place of 46 Union soldiers who had served at Fort Churchill. In the 1880s, 44 of their bodies were exhumed (as for the remaining two, it's possible that they were never buried there in the first place).

The bodies were removed to Lone Mountain Cemetery, eight blocks from the state Capitol in Carson City. The depopulated Fort Churchill cemetery continues to sit largely empty, its only occupants being Samuel Buckland, his wife Eliza, and their children.

#### TODAY AT FORT CHURCHILL

These days, park supervisor Scott Egy oversees a staff of six, including three part-timers. Together they keep the park clean and functioning for visitors and the occasional dignitary. Last summer, Governor Brian Sandoval enjoyed lunch in The Orchard, a pastoral day-use area that abuts a lightly traveled section of Alternate U.S. Highway 95. Sandoval was one of an



FORT CHURCHILI STATE HISTORIC PARK MUSEUM 系.用 🛦 GREG MCFARLANE

seemingly aglow, is the Barracks. Unlike the comfortable Officers Quarters, the Barracks were dirt-floored and crudely furnished with bunks and chairs. However, unlike most early-frontier posts, the men at Fort Churchill were afforded the luxury of their own bunk.

Photographers such as Robert Rollins flock to Fort Churchill State Historic Park year round for its dramatic sunrises and sunsets. At left,

ROBERT ROLLINS

estimated 20,000 guests the park saw that year, the majority of them stopping by in the spring and fall.

There are several day-use areas throughout the park, along with dozens of campsites. Given Fort Churchill's remoteness and quietude, the park does attract its share of characters. One group of 15 or so "mountain men" takes over a campground every spring, sleeping in tepees and carrying black-powder muskets and tomahawks to complete the picture.

The tranquility at Fort Churchill is sporadically interrupted by the rush and hue of a freight train, coursing a track which has bisected the fort since its founding. The valuable right-of-way once belonged to the Carson & Colorado Railway, a narrow-gauge line that transported ore from Inyo County, California. Should you see a train at Fort Churchill now, it'll be standard-gauge Union Pacific rolling stock, the C&CR having ceased operations in the 1960s.

Those who cannot document the past are condemned to forget it, thus Fort Churchill keeps many of its artifacts displayed for posterity's sake. Open daily, the Col. Charles McDermit Visitor Center contains maps, ordnance, army supplies, and even full-scale replicas of the same Union troops who brought peace to the land a century and a half ago.

Fort Churchill's resident coyotes seem to outnumber

the overnight human guests. The park is one of the most peaceful locales in the state—an irony, given the fort's origins—and is easily accessible. Even at its busiest, Fort Churchill offers plenty of opportunity for solitude and serenity.



#### **FEATURE**

Sand Springs Station's (right) Pony Express connection is highlighted on the sign (below) that baits travelers on U.S. Highway 50, near Sand Mountain.





### SANDS OF TIME

Former Pony Express station is well worth the short Highway 50 detour.

#### STORY & PHOTOS BY GREG MCFARLANE

No American institution that lasted a mere year and a half—not Zachary Taylor's presidency, the Tennessee Oilers, nor the "Da Ali G Show"—is remembered as nostalgically as the Pony Express. The revolutionary service, which began in April 1860, was defunct by the fall of 1861.

When the Pony Express debuted, a series of courageous riders and horses was heralded as the fastest way to deliver mail from San Francisco to St. Joseph, Missouri: the journey took 10 days. The following year, the transcontinental telegraph rendered the Pony Express obsolete.

Though the Pony Express route crossed such obstacles as the Rocky Mountains and the Sierra Nevada, the stretch through the Great Basin was as inhospitable as any. The terrain was mostly flat, but the punishing heat and lack of water on the Nevada leg made the trek arduous for both carrier and mount.

Of the 43 Pony Express stations in Nevada, most have disappeared without a trace, existing only in ledger books and maps of the time. Buckland Station (see article on page 26) is the best preserved of those that remain. Forty-five miles east lies another, at one of the route's most desolate points. Riders were never so thankful to find respite than at Sand Springs Station, at the edge of Fourmile Flat in Churchill County.

Located within a mile of U.S. Highway 50, the few remains of the station are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Not that there was much more to it in its heyday. The "building"—really just volcanic rocks arranged in the form of a foundation—contained a stable, a tack and storage shed, a telegraph

room, a kitchen that doubled as a blacksmith room, a corral, and a tiny living room.

Sir Richard Burton, the legendary English explorer who'd witnessed horrors and destruction throughout four continents, saved some of his most vivid prose for Sand Springs: "The water near this vile hole was thick and stale with sulphury salts...filthy and squalid." As for the riders themselves, they were all "cretins, except one who lay on the ground crippled and dying." This description from a man who'd spent the previous decade fighting natives in India and tropical diseases in Tanganyika.

The way to Sand Springs Station's remnants is clearly marked, but most visitors drive by without a glance. Instead they're en route to the area's featured attraction, nearby Sand Mountain. A 600-foot-high wall of silica, the mountain is renowned as a playground for off-highway vehicles. If you're in the neighborhood, whether towing a dune buggy or just passing through, the detour is well worth the few minutes of your time.





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## THE LINQ

## Open-air retail, dining, and entertainment district aims to create a new type of visitor experience on the Las Vegas Strip.

#### BY JOANNA HAUGEN

Las Vegas resort-casinos have historically been designed to keep visitors inside, without clocks, windows, or easy access to exits. With several dining options; a variety of entertainment choices, gaming opportunities, and accommodations; a selection of pools; and an array of spa services and shopping all contained in a single place, the resorts on the Las Vegas Strip serve as onestop shops. The theory is that guests never have to leave their property of choice.

This on-Strip standard of confinement is being reimagined and redefined with the introduction of The LINQ, an open-air retail, dining, and entertainment district anchored by the world's tallest observation (Ferris) wheel—known as the High Roller. A Caesars Entertainment project, The LINQ is located between The Quad Resort & Casino and Flamingo Las Vegas (both of which open to The LINQ), directly facing Caesars Palace.

The area was formerly an alleyway leading into a parking garage that an estimated 20.4 million people pass by annually, which made the decision to build the project in this space a nobrainer for Caesars Entertainment. "The goal in mind is really to create a critical mass of nightlife, dining, and entertainment," says Jon Gray, general manager of The LINQ. "A lot of great cities have cool streets to walk through, and we saw that there was a void in Las Vegas."

Live entertainment and al fresco (outdoor) dining throughout The LINQ are expected to create a vibe that appeals specifically to Generation X and Generation Y (ages 21 to 46, roughly), but there is something for everyone in this new development. "We're creating an elevated experience on the Strip, but we don't want it to be intimidating," Gray says. "We didn't want to offer another high-end shopping center."

More than 30 retail, dining, nightlife, and entertainment venues will line the street at The LINQ. "In the conception of The LINQ, we knew we wanted to have new Vegas offerings, things that had never been done before," Gray adds. "But we knew we wanted to have a balance, so we also wanted tenants that had great brand awareness. However, we pushed those tenants to do something unique."

Among The LINQ tenants are:

BROOKLYN BOWL – This multidimensional entertainment venue, popular in New York City, will have a 2,000-person performance area, 32 lanes of bowling, and a nightclub. "There will be a concert every night of the week; an incredible mix of huge name bands and great indie bands, too," Gray says. A performance lineup has not yet been announced for Brooklyn Bowl at The LINQ, but the New York venue has hosted artists such as Adele, Kanye West, Guns N' Roses, and the Yeah Yeah Yeahs.

CHAYO COCINA – For one of the best views of The LINQ, visitors may want to visit Chayo Cocina, which will have a balcony overlooking the whole area and the High Roller. The menu at Chayo Cocina will have food made exclusively from authentic Mexican ingredients, and there will be a large tequila selection available.

**F.A.M.E.** - Combining food, art, music, and entertainment, F.A.M.E. is a two-story dining experience. "On the first floor is an Asian market, but with a new-age twist. Think Asian food trucks," Gray says. The second floor will house a sushi lounge and grill.

**GOORIN BROS.** - Cassel Goorin began making hats in 1895, and the tradition continues today at this neighborhood shop. Men and women can choose from a selection ranging from classic to modern, including ball caps, fedoras, bowlers, knit caps, and more.









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\*The cabins will feature dynamic video and music shows that will fade away to show riders impressive views of the Las Vegas valley.



#### OTHER LAS VEGAS PROJECTS

#### VOODOO ZIP LINE

VooDoo Zip Line (rendering is shown above), which offers magnificent views of the Las Vegas Strip, will debut at Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino in early November. It connects the two towers of the Rio—beginning on the patio of VooDoo Steakhouse, located on the 50th floor of the Masquerade Tower—and propels riders at speeds of up to 33 mph to the adjoining 20-story Ipanema Tower. Guests will make a return trip back to the starting point, traveling backwards at 20 mph.

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#### **GANSEVOORT LAS VEGAS**

Caesars Entertainment Corporation has partnered with New York-based luxury hotel brand Gansevoort Hotel Group and nightlife impresario Victor Drai to create a unique Las Vegas Strip boutique resort experience, coming in early 2014. Gansevoort Las Vegas will feature 188 guest rooms and suites, a 40,000-square-foot casino, a restaurant by celebrity chef and *Food Network* host Giada De Laurentiis, and a signature lobby bar. The lifestyle resort will be the result of a \$185-million renovation of the former Bill's Gamblin' Hall & Saloon.

#### LAS VEGAS RENAISSANCE

EHB Companies, developer of Las Vegas' One Queensridge Place and Tivoli Village, plans to build a 700,000-square-foot enclosed shopping mall development named Las Vegas Renaissance. Located 15 minutes west of the Strip, adjacent to Tivoli Village, the mall should be open for the 2015 holiday season. Meanwhile, construction of Tivoli Village's phase II is underway and on schedule for a holiday 2013 opening. Hops & Harvest, Chef Bradley Ogden's new restaurant, opened at Tivoli Village earlier this year.

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The LINQ, Caesars Entertainment's \$550-million open-air retail, dining, and entertainment district, will boast a plethora of new-to-Las Vegas tenant brands, including the *Polaroid* Fotobar retail store and museum, Chilli Beans sunglasses, Vanity Style Lounge, and Goorin Bros. hat shop. The LINQ is located directly across from Caesars Palace, between The Quad Resort & Casino and Flamingo Las Vegas.

#### PLAN YOUR TRIP

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**OFF THE STRIP** – A bistro with a history in Las Vegas, this Italian restaurant is already a locals' favorite. Menu items include steak, pasta, chicken, and fish dishes along with traditional American comfort food.

**POLAROID FOTOBAR** – People who have thousands of photos on their phones but haven't done anything with them can finally liberate their images at Fotobar. "You can walk in with your phone and turn the photos into Polaroids that you can walk out with," Gray says. There are also options to turn those images into wall art murals and other forms of art.

**RUBY BLUE** – Designed to feel like a burlesque dressing room with sparkling red walls and royal blue upholstered insets, Ruby Blue will carry a wide variety of women's accessories. Handbags, costume jewelry, and novelty legwear share the space with a collection of sexy games and toys.

**SPRINKLES** – This cupcake bakery creates handcrafted goodies in small batches with ingredients that contain no preservatives, trans fats, or artificial flavors. It will be the first Sprinkles location to feature artisan ice cream flavors and red velvet ice cream cones as well as a cupcake ATM.

**THE STOMPING GRAPE** – "Couples will love to hang out here," Gray says. This wine bar features a casual lounge, an extensive selection of wines, and light, contemporary California Wine Country cuisine.

YARD HOUSE – A locals' favorite when it comes to dining in Las Vegas, Yard House at The LINQ will be located near the High Roller, and it is expected to be different than the others found around the city. "This is the biggest one in their portfolio," Gray says. "They're adding a balcony and have a great covered-patio experience."

Construction on this pedestrian-friendly space began in

November 2011, and by New Year's Eve, the first phase of The LINQ—including O'Sheas, a popular Irish pub—will be open. The majority of The LINQ should be open by the end of February 2014, with the High Roller debuting shortly thereafter.

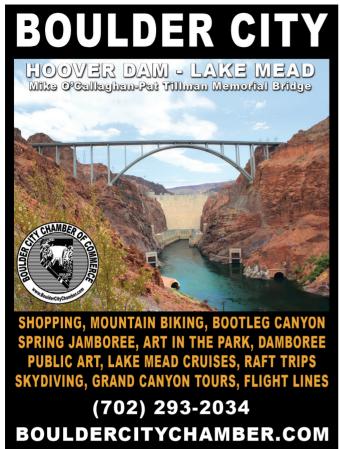
Topping out at 550 feet, the High Roller will be the largest observation wheel in the world. Twenty-eight spherical cabins will each hold 40 guests. Traveling at one foot per second, the High Roller will take roughly 30 minutes to make one full revolution. In creating the wheel, designers learned from the engineering of the London Eye and Singapore Flyer.

"We really wanted to create a new icon on the Las Vegas Strip, and I think we've achieved that," Gray says. "I think the High Roller will be something that everyone needs to ride—and will want to ride, both tourists and locals."

Tenants at The LINQ are currently setting their hours. Brooklyn Bowl plans to host a concert, DJ set, and potentially an afterhours set nightly. The High Roller is expected to be open from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. "We may also have sunrise flights if we see a great demand," Gray says. Ticket pricing for the High Roller is still being finalized. As a local-friendly attraction, Gray says he anticipates there will be a lower price point for Nevada residents.

From the streets of the pedestrian-friendly outdoor walkway to the top of the High Roller, the overarching goal of The LINQ is to create a place where people can easily hang out unconfined by the walls of the typical Las Vegas casino resort—a visionary concept that has the potential to change how people embrace their experience on the Strip.

"There are a million scenarios that can pan out once people enter The LINQ," Gray says. "It's a great spot for tourists and locals to meet up and start their night, be there the entire night, or end their night."



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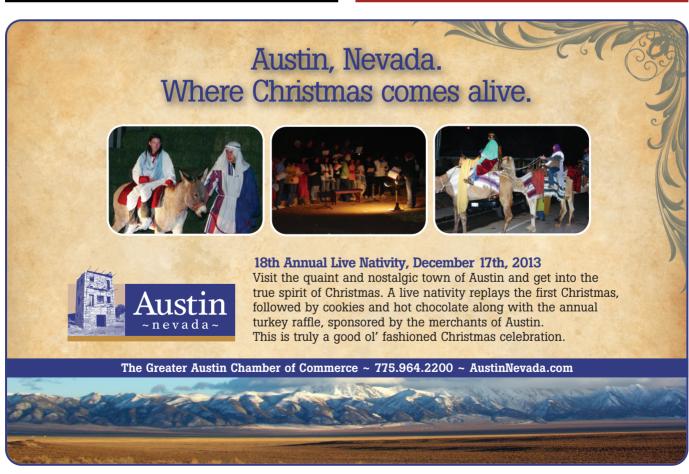


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#### HOLIDAY TRAIN RIDES

### ALL ABOARD! THE POLAR EXPRESS

NORTHERN NEVADA MUSEUM CONDUCTS CHRISTMAS CHEER.

On select dates from November 23 through December 28, Nevada Northern Railway in Ely is hosting its most magical train ride. Based on the popular children's book, *The Polar Express*, the ride allows children to experience the joy of the North Pole for themselves.

Attendees can expect a ride upon a vintage diesel train as a narrator reads the treasured story aloud and songs from the popular movie soundtrack play throughout the train. Servers dressed in chef's attire move down the aisles, serving each passenger hot chocolate and a cookie. Passengers cloaked in cozy pajamas and blankets are kept warm by the pellet stoves burning inside the train cars.

Upon arrival at the train's destination, Santa Claus and his helper are waiting on the platform for the train to stop. Santa greets passengers, and children have the chance to tell their Christmas wishes. Before Santa leaves, his helper gives each child a silver sleigh bell—a souvenir of the magical journey.

The Polar Express is suitable for couples, friends, family, and all the young and young at heart. For ticket information and a complete list of dates, visit nnry.com or call 775-289-2085.



### THE POLAR EXPRESS

HISTORIC RAILWAY HOSTS JOLLY CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE.



EMILY CLARK

This holiday season, families have a chance to ride on the historic Virginia and Truckee Railroad while experiencing the magic of THE POLAR EXPRESS. Following consecutive sell-out years, THE POLAR EXPRESS is returning with 15 additional train rides to accommodate 3,600 more passengers.

The V&T's 100-year-old steam engines and holidaythemed passenger cars leave the Carson City Eastgate Depot (seven miles east of downtown Carson City) and travel roughly two miles before stopping at Santa's North Pole retreat.

During the trip, the conductor punches tickets and chefs serve hot chocolate, followed by a reading of Van Allsburg's classic—*The Polar Express*. At the North Pole, Santa Claus steps aboard and greets the children.

VIP tickets are available for the 30-seat historic parlor car, which features additional entertainment, extra time



with Santa, a special holiday treat, and a souvenir THE POLAR EXPRESS cocoa mug. Passengers who select the parlor car have seats facing the windows, allowing the best views of Santa's Village and room for dancing, games, and caroling during the trip.

The boarding area at the Carson City Eastgate Depot features heated tents where passengers can take photos with Santa and purchase holiday souvenirs. All tickets include a keepsake silver bell, hot chocolate, cookies, entertainment, and a reading of *The Polar Express*.

This all-ages ride departs Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from November 22 through December 22. VIP tickets are \$62 for children ages 2-12 (free for children two and younger who sit on a lap) and \$72 for adults. Coach tickets are \$29 for children and \$38 for adults.

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#### THE POLAR EXPRESS

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### SANTA TRAIN

MR. AND MRS. CLAUS BRING CHEER TO NEVADA SOUTHERN RAILWAY.



The 12th annual Santa Train at the State Railroad Museum in Boulder City has become a tradition for many families throughout the Las Vegas area. Passengers are able to experience riding the decorated train and have an opportunity to visit and have photos taken with Mr. and Mrs. Claus as they make their way through the train. After visiting Santa, children are able to enjoy free face painting and balloon

animals. Additionally, visitors can experience the *Eureka*—a fully restored and operating late 19thcentury steam locomotive-and enjoy a model train show.

#### PLAN YOUR TRIP

#### Santa Train

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### **HOORAY FOR HENDERSON!**

#### SOUTHERN NEVADA TOWN HOSTS A HEAP OF EXCEPTIONAL EVENTS.

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#### **NOVEMBER**

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Henderson Events Plaza



Rising country music star Sam Riddle brings his original songs to life with a powerful voice, lightning-fast piano playing, and energetic showmanship.

### Holiday Decorating Contest

Nov. 1-Dec. 2 Citywide

The Commemorative Beautification Commission's annual Outdoor Holiday Decorating Contest is a great way to show your community pride and light up this special season. This year's theme is "holiday traditions in the desert."

#### Veterans Day Ceremony

Nov. 2

Henderson Events Plaza

This event pays tribute to our patriots and military heroes with a presentation of names and the memorial wreath at the Veterans Memorial Wall.

#### Henderson Stroll 'n Roll

Nov. 9

Paseo Verde Parkway

Experience a car-free way to bike, walk, skate, and play. Enjoy the community's largest car-free street festival, spanning three parks and three miles of family fun.

#### Dive-In Movie Nights

Nov. 15

at Heritage Park Aquatic Complex Nov. 22 & Dec. 20

at Whitney Ranch Indoor Pool

Relax under the stars on an inner tube or sit poolside while watching a hit movie.

#### **DECEMBER**

#### Henderson 250 Desert Race

Dec. 6

Fan Expo at Henderson Events Plaza **Dec. 7** 

Start/Finish Line in Jean



This annual off-road desert race marks the final event of the American Off-Road Racing Series.

#### Waterday Street Market

Dec. 7

Water Street

Presented by O Entertainment, this ongoing event features antiques, collectibles, and live entertainment.

#### Holiday Lights Tour

Dec. 13

Whitney Ranch Recreation Center

Experience an evening of merriment by taking a guided bus tour of the city's colorful holiday lights.

#### Winter Fest

Dec. 13-14

Henderson Events Plaza



Enjoy a variety of family-friendly activities including an official tree-lighting ceremony, visits with Santa Claus, gingerbread house displays, craft vendors, and live entertainment.

#### Candy Cane Festival

Dec. 14

Heritage Park Aquatic Complex

Celebrate the magic of winter with games, a bounce house, treats, and an underwater candy cane hunt.

#### Winter Lights Walk

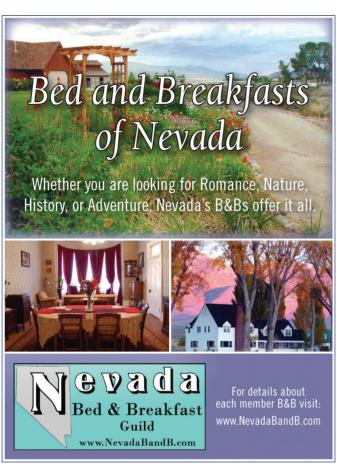
Dec. 15-22 Heritage Park

Paths and walkways at Heritage Park are lit with donated lights and holiday music to ring good cheer.

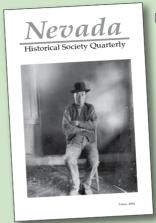
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### Nevada Farm Bureau

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### Nevada Department of Agriculture

Present The



4949 North Rancho Drive, North Las Vegas 89108



#### Opening Session | 9:00 a.m.- 10:15 a.m.

Jim Barbee, Nevada Department of Agriculture Director

Hank Combs, Nevada Farm Bureau President

John Spiers, Speaker with Western United States Agricultural Trade Association (WUSATA)

#### 10:30 a.m. - Noon

**Explore Exporting:** John Spiers, keynote speaker with WUSATA will present on opportunities in global markets and will demonstrate on how to make an export sale no more difficult than a domestic one. Session will also include representatives from the SBA, NV Industry of Excellence, and USDA Rural Development.

#### 1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Farm/Ranch Marketing: Three presenters will help guide producers through the process of marketing their agricultural products. Featuring Nancy Moore, Farm to Cafeteria Network Coordinator with the National Center for Appropriate Technology; Tom Harris, Center for Resource Economics, UNR College of Agriculture, Biotechnology & Natural Resources; and Ann Louhela, NevadaGrown.

#### 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m

Farm/Ranch Business Planning: Agriculture is a business and farmers/ranchers need a plan to be successful. The workshop will feature Cooperative Extension Educator, Carol Bishop and Nevada Farm Bureau Vice President/Panaca farmer, Paul Mathews.

#### 10:30 a.m. - Noon

Selling Local: Learn what restaurants and schools are looking to buy from local farmers and ranchers and what you need to do in order to sell locally. Featuring Doug Taylor, UNCE Instructor-Producer to Chef Program; Rodney Mehring, Blue Lizard Farm; and Stacey Sobell, Western Region Lead for the National Farm to School Network.

#### 1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Food Safety For Thought: Holly Gatzke, Extension Educator for Lincoln County will discuss value-added processing and handling; Laura and Monte Bledsoe from Quail Hollow Farms will discuss hosting Farm-to-Fork events; and a representative from the Southern Nevada Health District will discuss the new regulations and process for Farm-to-Fork and Cottage Industries laws.

#### 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Indoor Growing: Mark O'Farrell from Hungry Mother Organics will present information on his aquaponic growing operation and "Basil" Bob Davenport will discuss his successes and trials of his indoor hydroponic growing operation.

#### REGISTRATION

\$55 Early Bird | \$60 After November 14th. Registration will include lunch.

Register for the Southern Nevada Agriculture Conference at www.agri.nv.gov









Governor Brian Sandoval receives a Sheep Dip Shaft award from judge Peter Breen (playing Nevada lobbyist Harvey Whittemore) as KNPB News Director Brent Boynton looks on during the 49th annual Sheep Dip Show of 2012.

### SHEEP DIP SHOW

#### SATIRICAL COMEDY SHOW CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF ROASTING NORTHERN NEVADA.

The 50th annual Sheep Dip Show, Northern Nevada's satirical roast of politicians and newsmakers, takes place in the Celebrity Showroom at John Ascuaga's Nugget January 17 and 18. The event coincides with Nevada's sesquicentennial, and has been designated as one of the official events. There is also a special pre-show Gala prior to the Saturday show to celebrate Sheep Dip's 50 years of satirizing Northern Nevada's goings-on.

The Sheep Dip Show began as the Reno Ad Club's contribution to Nevada's centennial celebration. Loosely based on the then popular "That Was the Week That Was" television show, the idea was to dip newsmakers into a vat of satire, like Basque sheepherders dipping their flock into a chemical bath to rid them of parasites.

Nevada politicians have been involved from the beginning. The sitting governor has opened the show every year, save one. Other mainstays of the show include Bill Raggio, Barbara Vucanovich, a succession of Reno and Sparks mayors, U.S. Congressman Mark Amodei, U.S. Senator Dean Heller, and others. Local news anchors and TV and radio personalities appear in the show,

performing comedic commentary on the year's news events, and introducing skits and songs.

Sheep Dip is a charitable organization as well as a satirical roast. Each year, a local charity is selected to receive the proceeds of the show. Organizations such as Make-a-Wish of Northern Nevada, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, the Veterans Guest House, BAC-Stage Kids, Camp Lotsafun, the Northern Nevada Children's Cancer Foundation, and many more have been beneficiaries. For the 50th show, the selected charities are the Children's Cabinet, the For Kids Foundation, and Evelyn Mount's Community Outreach. To date, Sheep Dip has raised and distributed approximately \$425,000 to scholarships and charities.

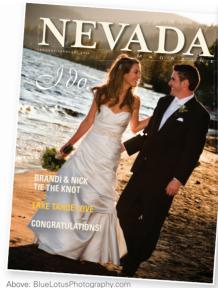
A popular feature of the show is the Shaft award. Politicians, corporations, government agencies, and even notorious individuals are all targets for the Shaft, awarded each year for dishonest, underhanded, or just plain stupid actions. The late Bill Raggio was a frequent target, and the only recipient of a "lifetime achievement" Shaft. Bill, like most Shaft honorees, took the award in good humor.—*Roger Diez* 

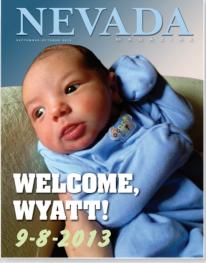
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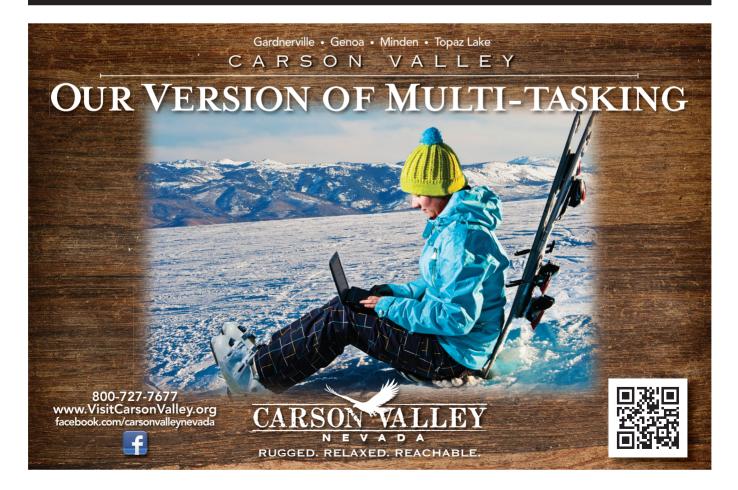


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NEVADA EVENTS & SHOWS

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2013



### THE 'BOYS ARE BACK IN TOWN

NATIONAL FINALS RODEO RETURNS TO LAS VEGAS DECEMBER 5-14 AT THOMAS & MACK CENTER.

Rodeo's top stars are once again ready to saddle up in Las Vegas for the sport's biggest annual spectacle, the 52nd annual Wranglers National Finals Rodeo, set for December 5-14 at Thomas & Mack Center.

The world's best cowboys will compete in bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, saddle bronc riding, tie-down roping, barrel racing, and bull riding during the 10-day seasonending championship event of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA).

Trevor Brazile of Decatur, Texas, is back atop the leaderboard in earnings this year and is looking to continue his dominance at NFR, where he has won seven consecutive All-Around World Championship crowns. Last year, Brazile won his seventh Wrangler NFR all-around gold buckle, breaking the record he had shared with Ty Murray and Tom Ferguson. Brazile has won 17 world titles and earned more than \$4.5 million while on the PRCA circuit.

Along with rodeo's premier event returning to Las Vegas—home to the NFR since 1985—enthusiasts can also get into the

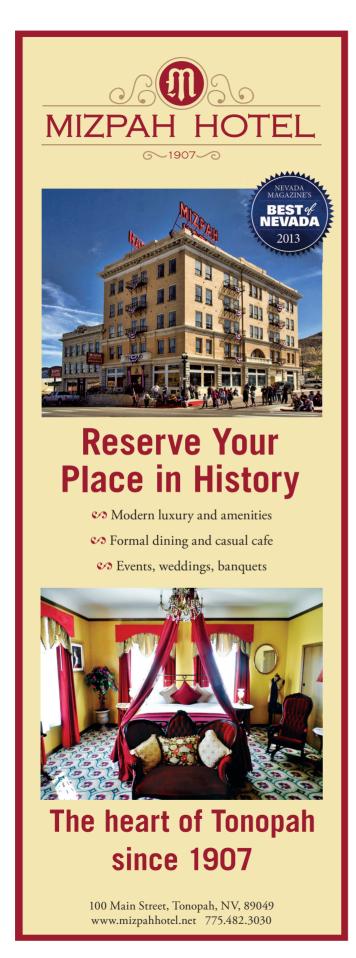
cowboy culture through various concerts and events that coincide with NFR.

Country and pop music's biggest stars will be performing in Las Vegas during the NFR, including Shania Twain, Wynonna, Gretchen Wilson, Dwight Yoakam, Willie Nelson, Justin McBride, Merle Haggard, Montgomery Gentry with the Charlie Daniels Band, the Black Crowes, Beyonce, Third Eye Blind, and more.

The interactive Cowboy FanFest at the Las Vegas Convention Center, adjacent to the Cowboy Christmas Gift Show, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and showcases the western lifestyle, including world champion livestock, NFR contestant autograph sessions, and more. There is no admission and it's a great precursor to each night's excitement.

Several resorts also host after parties following the live performances, attended by the rodeo stars. The Mirage hosts Rodeo Vegas, the official after party every night throughout NFR. Admission is free with live entertainment each night. The MGM Grand, Gold Coast, and South Point resorts also host nightly events.

For more on the Wrangler NFR, check out prorodeo.com.





NEVADA **EVENTS & SHOWS** NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2013 21

### HOLIDAY EVENTS & SHOWS

#### ETHEL M CHOCOLATES HOLIDAY CACTUS GARDEN

Ethel M Chocolate Factory and Botanical Garden, Henderson Nov. 13-Jan. 1 ethelm.com, 800-471-0352

#### **GLITTERING LIGHTS LAS VEGAS**

Las Vegas Motor Speedway Opens Nov. 15 glitteringlightslasvegas.com

#### HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Eureka Opera House, Eureka Nov. 15-16 eurekacounty.com, 775-237-6006

#### SORORITY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Toiyabe Cafe, Austin Nov. 16 austinnevada.com, 775-964-2200

#### THE POLAR EXPRESS

V&T Railroad Depot, Carson City Nov. 22-Dec. 22, Fri.-Sun. vtrailway.com, 775-291-0208

#### THE POLAR EXPRESS

Nevada Northern Railway, Ely Nov. 23-Dec. 28 nnry.com, 866-407-8326

#### LAKE TAHOE FESTIVAL **OF TREES & LIGHTS**

MontBleu Convention Center, Stateline festivaloftreeslaketahoe.org, 530-543-5909

#### SPARKS HOMETOWNE CHRISTMAS

Victorian Square, Sparks Dec. 6-7 cityofsparks.us, 775-353-5555

#### **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Genoa Town Hall, Genoa Dec. 7 genoanevada.org, 775-782-8696

#### **COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING**

Eureka Opera House, Eureka Dec. 7 eurekacounty.com, 775-237-5484

HOLIDAY DECORATION-MAKING **EXTRAVAGANZA** 

Cathedral Gorge State Park Dec. 7

parks.nv.gov, 775-728-4460

#### THE GREAT SANTA RUN

Downtown Las Vegas Dec. 7 opportunityvillage.org, 702-259-3741

#### CHRISTMAS ON THE COMSTOCK

Virginia City Dec. 7-8 visitvirginiacitynv.com, 775-847-7500

#### SPIRIT OF THE SEASON

Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts, Reno Dec. 7-8 renophil.com, 775-323-6393

#### SANTA TRAIN

Nevada Southern Railway, Boulder City Dec. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22 nevadasouthern.com, 702-486-5006

#### WINTERFEST

Henderson Convention Center, Henderson Dec. 12-14 hendersonlive.com, 702-267-2171

#### **VOICES OF THE RIVER CHRISTMAS GALA**

Aquarius Hotel, Laughlin Dec. 13 mccgalatickets.com, 928-542-4994

#### THE NUTCRACKER

Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts, Dec. 13-15 avaballet.com, 775-762-5165

#### **RENO SANTA CRAWL**

Downtown Reno Dec. 14 renosantacrawl.com



#### WINTER WONDERLAND & TOY DRIVE

Kershaw-Ryan State Park Dec. 14 parks.nv.gov, 775-726-3564

#### THE ROAD TO BETHLEHEM: A LIVING NATIVITY

First United Methodist Church, Carson City Dec. 14-15 775-882-1436

#### **RANCH CHRISTMAS**

Spring Mountain Ranch State Park Dec. 15 parks.nv.gov, 775-875-4141

#### LIVE NATIVITY

Austin Dec. 17 austinnevada.com, 775-964-2200

#### CHRISTMAS AFTER HOURS

Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko Dec. 19 elkonevada.com, 775-738-7135

#### **EVENTS**

#### **POMEGRANATE ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL**

Clark County Fairgrounds moapavalleyartguild.net, 702-397-6444

#### LAS VEGAS WRANGLERS (HOME GAMES)

Orleans Arena, Las Vegas Nov. 1-3; Dec. 6, 8, 16-17, 27-28 lasvegaswranglers.com, 702-284-7777

#### AMERICAN INDIAN ACHIEVEMENT **AWARDS BANQUET**

Governor's Mansion, Carson City nic.nv.gov, 775-687-8333

#### **FANTASIES IN CHOCOLATE**

Grand Sierra Resort, Reno Nov. 2

grandsierraresort.com, 775-789-2000

#### FARE WALK FOR FOOD ALLERGY

Green Valley Ranch Resort, Henderson foodallergywalk.org, 310-883-8644

#### FULL MOON HIKE INTO ASH GROVE

Spring Mountain Ranch State Park Nov. 2 parks.nv.qov, 775-875-4141

### HAMMAGREN HOME OF NEVADA HISTORY

Las Vegas Nov. 2-3 (public tours) nevadadays.org

### FULL MOON HIKE INTO SANDSTONE CANYON

Spring Mountain Ranch State Park Nov. 3 parks.nv.gov, 775-875-4141

### MARK TWAIN'S SESQUICENTENNIAL SALUTE TO NEVADA

Sparks Museum & Cultural Center Nov. 7 sparksmuseum.org, 775-355-1144

### SOUTH LAKE TAHOE FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

South Lake Tahoe Nov. 8-10 caesars.com

#### **GLOWBALL NIGHT GOLF**

Eagle Crest Golf Course, Las Vegas Nov. 9 golfsummerlin.com, 702-240-1320

#### HENDERSON STROLL 'N' ROLL

Multigenerational Center, Henderson Nov. 9

bikehenderson.org, 702-267-4000

#### LAMOILLE WOMEN'S CLUB FALL CRAFT FESTIVAL

Spring Creek High School, Spring Creek Nov. 9-10 lamoillewomensclub.org, 775-748-5235

#### MOUNTAIN MAN RENDEZVOUS

Spring Mountain Ranch State Park Nov. 9-10 parks.nv.gov, 702-875-4141

#### BOCCE ALL-STAR CLASSIC

Peppermill Resort Hotel, Reno Nov. 14-16 peppermillreno.com, 775-826-2121

#### **ARENOCROSS**

Livestock Events Center, Reno Nov. 15-17 arenocross.com, 630-768-4990

#### **NEVADA BROADBAND SUMMIT**

University of Nevada, Reno Nov. 18 connectny.org, 775-343-9600

#### THE ICE RINK

The Cosmopolitan, Las Vegas Nov. 22-Jan. 5 cosmopolitanlasvegas.com, 702-698-7000

#### WRANGLER NATIONAL FINALS RODEO

Thomas & Mack Center, Las Vegas Dec. 5-14 prorodeo.com, 719-593-8840

#### RENO BIGHORNS (HOME GAMES)

Reno Events Center, Reno Dec. 6, 14-15 renobighorns.com, 775-853-8220

#### **SHOWS**

#### **GOV'T MULE**

Harrah's, Stateline Nov. 2 southshoreroom.com, 800-745-3000



#### JOHN FORD COLEY

Eureka Opera House, Eureka Nov. 2 eurekacounty.com, 775-237-6006

#### WANDA SYKES

Silver Legacy, Reno Nov. 2 silverlegacy.com, 775-325-7401

### ARTOWN ENCORE PRESENTS DANCE THEATRE OF HARLEM

Grand Sierra Resort, Reno Nov. 16 grandsierraresort.com, 800-648-3568

### "SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE" TOUR

Silver Legacy, Reno Nov. 16 silverlegacyreno.com, 775-329-4777

#### **ICE FANTASY**

Eldorado, Reno Nov. 19-Jan. 26 eldoradoreno.com, 800-648-5966

#### ALICE COOPER

Grand Sierra Resort, Reno Nov. 22 grandsierraresort.com, 775-789-2000

#### PRETTY LIGHTS

Grand Sierra Resort, Reno Nov. 27 grandsierraresort.com, 775-648-3568

#### **BONEY JAMES**

John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks Nov. 29 janugget.com, 800-648-1177

#### **RODNEY CARRINGTON**

Silver Legacy, Reno Nov. 29 silverlegacyreno.com, 775-325-4701

#### SAMMY KERSHAW

Boomtown Casino, Reno Nov. 30 boomtownreno.com, 775-345-6000

### ARTOWN ENCORE PRESENTS PINK MARTINI

Grand Sierra Resort, Reno Dec. 1 grandsierraresort.com, 800-648-3568

#### MERLE HAGGARD

Silver Legacy, Reno Dec. 6 silverlegacyreno.com, 775-325-4701

#### DANIEL TOSH

MontBleu Resort, Stateline Dec. 21 montbleuresort.com, 800-648-3353

#### NEVADA CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Reno Chamber Orchestra, Reno Dec. 26-31 renochamberorchestra.org, 775-348-9413

#### CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES

Boomtown Casino, Reno Dec. 28 boomtownreno.com, 775-345-6000

#### **BEATLES VS. STONES**

Harrah's, Reno Thru Jan. 19 harrahsreno.com, 775-786-3232

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### VALLEY ARTS RESEARCH FACILITY

RENO RESTORATION PROJECT ENCOURAGES CREATIVE EXPRESSION.







Located at 420 Valley Road in Reno, the Valley Arts Research Facility is a thriving artists' collective. As a creative center that encourages unique artistic expression, its ambition is to transition from a private members' venue into a powerful public community center. The immediate goal is to raise funds to provide the public free or cheap dynamic arts activities.

Live music, book discussions, poetry readings, movie nights, and a wide range of art and food-art classes are a few of its potential offerings. "We want this project to be a microphone for the community," says Shawn Carney, who has been restoring the 1907 building along with Ryan Fassbender and Eric Brooks since last year.

Currently, artists pay \$75-\$100 monthly for 24/7 studio access. A full organic kitchen, sleeping areas, and laundry facilities are being installed to help residents maintain creative momentum.

Valley Arts is poised to be part of the Fourth Street corridor restoration that includes the old Morris Hotel and Flanagan Building. Additionally, the Valley Arts building once housed the Valley Print & Mail shop owned by experimental artist Art Marston, who died in his creative prime. "His rich legacy alone is definitely worth preserving," Carney says.

To open publicly, the building must

meet code inspections. All the work has been done on a volunteer basis, but donations and skilled labor are needed.

If interested in joining Valley Arts or attending one of their upcoming donation dinners, please contact Carney at 775-954-6968 or shawn@auxch.com.

—Christina Nemec 🥄

The Valley Arts Research Facility in Reno hosts myriad dynamic art activities including live music, book discussions, poetry readings, movie nights, and a wide range of art classes. The building (above, right) is in transition to becoming a powerful public community center. An artist's nook (right) provides residents with creative space for artistic expression.



#### **FVFNTS & FXHIBITS**

#### TOULOUSE-LAUTREC & LA VIE MODERNE: PARIS 1880-1910

Nevada Museum of Art, Reno Nov. 2–Jan. 19, 2014 nevadaart.org, 775-329-1541

### ARTS & FLOWERS ARTISAN MALL AND LUNCHEON

Nevada Museum of Art, Reno Nov. 6 nevadaart.org, 775-329-1541

#### HISTORY OF THE RENO-AREA DITCHES

Nevada Historical Society, Reno Nov. 6 museums.nevadaculture.org, 775-688-1190

#### IDENTITY: THE MILITARY'S OTHER HALF

Sierra Arts Foundation, Reno Thru Nov. 8 sierra-arts.org, 775-329-2787

#### BENEATH ONE SKY

Stremmel Gallery, Reno Thru Nov. 9 stremmelgallery.com, 775-786-0558

#### T VÁSQUEZ: FINIS EX DIFFERENTIA

Sierra Arts Foundation, Reno Nov. 13-22 sierra-arts.org, 775-329-2787

#### **NEVADA PERSPECTIVES**

GBC Art Gallery, Elko Thru Nov. 15 arts4nevada.org, 775-756-6569

### LOST AND FOUND PROPS WITH LADY HULL

Brüka Theatre, Reno Nov. 16 bruka.org, 775-323-3221

### FRANCES HUMPHREY LECTURE SERIES: THE BLACK ROCK DESERT

Nevada State Museum, Carson City Nov. 21 museums.nevadaculture.org, 775-687-4810

#### A TASTE FOR THE ARTS GALA

Boulder Creek Golf Pavilion, Boulder City Nov. 22 visitpublicartexpo.com, 702-293-7731

### BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS IN NATURAL HISTORY

Nevada State Museum, Carson City Nov. 22 museums.nevadaculture.org, 775-687-4810

#### **MESQUITE**

Clark County Government Center's Rotunda Gallery, Las Vegas Thru Nov. 22 arts4nevada.org, 702-455-7340

#### **CHIMERA & CHICANERY**

Oats Park Art Center, Fallon Thru Nov. 23 arts4nevada.org, 775-423-1440

#### DON'T TEAR MY PLAYHOUSE DOWN

Oats Park Art Center, Fallon Thru Nov. 23 arts4nevada.org, 775-423-1440

#### PERCEPTIONS IN TRANSLATION

Left of Center Gallery, Las Vegas Thru Nov. 23 leftofcenterart.org, 702-647-7378

#### ART OF MUMMIFICATION

Las Vegas Natural History Museum, Las Vegas Nov. 24 Ivnhm.org, 702-384-3466

#### BURLESQUE POP-OUT

Emergency Arts, Las Vegas Thru Nov. 24 emergencyarts.com, 702-686-3164

#### UNESCO ITALIA

Arte Italia, Reno Thru Nov. 24 arteitaliausa.com, 775-333-0313

### DEMONSTRATION OF COIN PRESS NO. 1

Nevada State Museum, Carson City Nov. 29 museums.nevadaculture.org, 775-687-4810

#### **CERAMIC REFLECTIONS**

CSN Artspace Gallery, Las Vegas Thru Nov. 29 www.csn.edu/pac, 702-651-4146

#### MIXED REALITIES

OXS Gallery, Carson City Thru Nov. 29 nac.nevadaculture.org, 775-687-6680

#### IMAGININGS THROUGH ILLUSTRATIONS: WORK BY CHILDREN'S BOOK ILLUSTRATORS

Historic Fifth Street School, Las Vegas Thru Nov. 30 artslasvegas.org, 702-229-1012

#### **PENUMBRA**

303 North Studio, Las Vegas Thru Nov. 30 303northstudio.tumblr.com, 702-742-6241

#### WILDLIFE PRESERVED

Springs Preserve, Las Vegas Thru Dec. 1 springspreserve.org, 702-822-7700

### CHAUVINISM AT WORK: ROLE EVOLUTION?

CSN Fine Arts Galley, Las Vegas Thru Dec. 6 csn.edu/pac, 702-651-4146

#### **NEON METROPOLIS**

Sin City Galley, Las Vegas Thru Dec. 23 sincitygallery.com, 702-608-2461

### WORDS+IMAGES: BROADSIDES FROM THE BLACK ROCK PRESS

Western Folklife Center, Elko Thru Dec. 23 westernfolklife.org, 775-738-7508

#### INSIDE OUT: FROM VEGAS TO WHALES

Charleston Heights Arts Center, Las Vegas Thru Dec. 28 artslasvegas.org, 702-229-6383

#### ITALIAN HERITAGE EXHIBIT

Sparks Museum & Cultural Center, Sparks Thru Jan. 4, 2014 sparksmuseum.org, 775-335-1144

#### 50 GREATEST PHOTOGRAPHS OF NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

Imagine Exhibitions Gallery, Las Vegas Thru Jan. 13, 2014 venetian.com, 702-414-9000

#### NEVADA REFLECTIONS: THE SILVER STATE IN BLACK & WHITE

Springs Preserve, Las Vegas Thru Jan. 20, 2014 springspreserve.org, 702-822-7700

#### LEGISLATIVE BUILDING ART SHOW

Legislative Building, Carson City Thru Jan. 31, 2014 arts4nevada.org, 775-684-1400

#### FRANKLIN EVANS: TIMEPATHS

Nevada Museum of Art, Reno Thru Apr. 20, 2014 nevadaart.org, 775-329-1541

### **BRITNEY: PIECE OF ME**

LEGENDARY POP SUPERSTAR REVEALS TWO-YEAR RESIDENCY AT PLANET HOLLYWOOD.



oasting one of the most distinguished careers in pop history, Britney
Spears announced she is coming to Las Vegas this December for a two-year
residency at Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino. "Britney: Piece of Me" will
captivate audiences with some of Spears' greatest hits, along with fresh material
from her highly anticipated eighth studio album.

Spears will perform in the newly remodeled theater at Planet Hollywood. The intimately sized theater promises state-of-the-art technology and high-end fashion, with exclusive table and bottle service.

The announcement of Spears' residency was such big news that it could literally be seen from space. In September, more than 1,300 people gathered in a remote location in the Nevada desert to create an announcement sign 10 stories long and seven stories wide that could be seen from a satellite in Earth's orbit.

Show dates have been announced through February 22. Several ticket packages are available, including meet-and-greet options.

#### WHERE

Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino

#### WHEN

Showtime: Dec. 27-28, 30, 9 p.m.; Dec 31, 10 p.m.

#### **TICKETS**

planethollywoodresort.com, 866-919-7472 Starting at \$59

#### WORTH A CLICK

britneyspears.com

### ALSO AT PLANET HOLLYWOOD

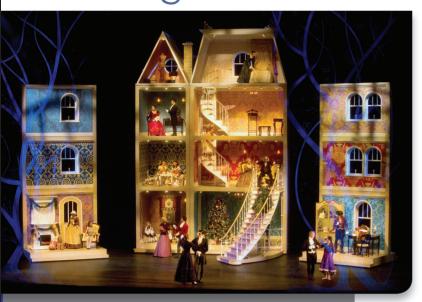
#### SHOWS

"Dancing Queen," dark Tues. Sin City Comedy, nightly





### las vegas shows



#### **DON'T MISS**

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts Dec. 14-15, 18-22 nevadaballet.org, 702-749-2000

The Nevada Ballet Theatre is bringing this Christmas classic to The Smith Center for the Performing Arts in December. While still recognizing the traditional ambiance of "The Nutcracker," the Nevada Ballet Theatre promises some exciting new elements. The Reynolds Hall stage features grand sets, costumes, and the amazing choreography of Nevada Ballet Theatre Artistic Director James Canfield.

Showtime: 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Clint Holmes, Nov. 1-3 Tony Hsieh, Nov. 5 Las Vegas Contemporary Dance Theater Fall Concert Series, Nov. 8

Chris Mann, Nov. 8-9 Judy Collins, Nov. 10

Mariza World Tour, Nov. 11 James Tormé, Nov. 15-16

Michael Feinstein:

The Gershwins and Me, Nov. 16

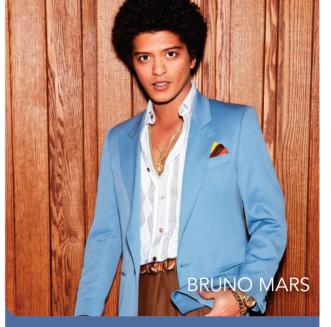
Keith Lockhart and the Boston Pops Esplanade

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"The Blues" featuring Keb Mo and Shemekia Copeland,

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The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas

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Grammy Award-winning recording artist and critically acclaimed performer Bruno Mars is coming to The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas this December. The two performances are set to inaugurate The Cosmopolitan's new venue, The Chelsea. Mars is scheduled for six additional appearances at The Chelsea in 2014.

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Nov. 9-16

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### MR. CACHINERO'S WILD RIDE



Cachinero rides alongside A.J. Frels, executive director of the Carson Valley Visitors Authority.

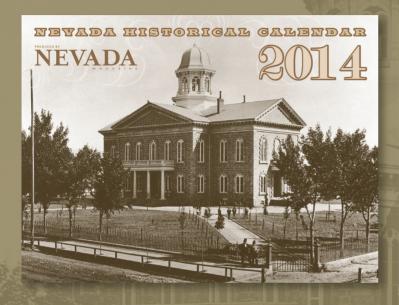
#### ASSOCIATE EDITOR GETS OVER THE HUMP AT CAMEL RACES.

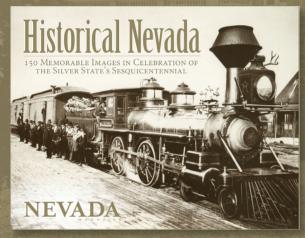
"Riding camels is dangerous. You could break your arms, legs; you could easily break your neck. It's serious; not just some pinochle game." This is how Joe Hedrick, announcer for the International Camel Races in Virginia City, gives me the crash course prior to my debut as a camel jockey on September 7, 2013.

Before I have time to rethink my decision, I'm perched atop a camel in the starting gates. Suddenly, the gates fly open and my camel begins to gallop down the track. To my surprise, we're in first place. We make the turn, and just as victory seems inevitable, my camel makes an executive decision to spin in circles instead of proceeding the 15 yards remaining to the finish line.

Though my camel and I aren't immortalized in Virginia City lore, I walk away with my third-place ribbon, feeling lucky that I don't have to look back on Hedrick's warning from a hospital bed.—*Eric Cachinero* 

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### Autumn at Angel Lake

On September 29 and 30, 2013, Nevada Magazine's editorial duo of Matthew B. Brown and Eric Cachinero spent a windy night and morning at Angel Lake, southwest of Wells. The trout fishing at the lake was excellent, however, which is one way to make any outdoorsmen forget about blustery, cold conditions.

The small body of water, with a surface area of less than 15 acres and a maximum depth of 35 feet, is the prize for travelers who take the scenic byway of Angel Lake Road, or State Route 231. Easy-to-moderate hiking trails allow visitors to snap photos from almost any angle—the top image is a perspective of the lake from

The natural lake, perched at an elevation of more than 8,000 feet, is only 12 miles from the northeastern Nevada town of Wells. The fall colors burst at the height of autumn, and spring wildflowers bloom in bunches in the general area, which features two seasonal campgrounds. The byway is open year round, but be especially careful of snow in the colder months.

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